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Rafa wins gold

Rafa Abad of Kitchener is the only participant in the computer programming/industry program at Conestoga College who will be one of only two Canadians representing Canada at next year's 19th World Skills Competition in Seoul Korea.

Abad earned her first Canada hockey winning a gold medal last week, at the international technology conference symposium event in Kitchener, at the Skills Canada world qualifying competition.

"I was a really nervous" he said as he sat in the 10th interview at the Skills Canada Ontario headquarters, located at Conestoga. "I knew that my CV's scores would help me a lot. I was just looking forward to putting my skills against the best coming to Canada."

Abad's 70 new topics in technology, computer and IT, that are provided with a technical information technology event in programs for the World event, which takes place Sept. 4-15, 2001.

He earned Championships in the fall of 1999 after graduation from

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Rafa Abad

Kitchener's Computer Program and business courses. "I feel absolutely honoured," he commented. "It is very exciting that I will be able to represent my country against the rest of the world."

Skills Canada is a non-profit organization of industry business leaders and government agencies, devoted to the promotion of career awareness and opportunity for Canada's young people as the most of technology and skillful workers.

Conestoga's three year program of programming/industry program is an intensive challenging program that emphasizes problem solving, analytical and systems thinking, and through use of a variety of computer skills, language and technology.

Killer party



Quentin Delaney is a second-year nursing student and Trevor Golden is a second-year computer programming student, were among the Conestoga students who took Halloween costumes to the Halloween Bash at the lower City Square Oct. 28.

Photo by Peter Reid

International student enrolment increases by 89.8 per cent

By Paul Kozak

The provincial enrollment of international students at Conestoga College has grown 89.8 percent, the college's board of governors heard earlier Oct. 23 meeting. Larry Ruckenstein, Conestoga's director of international education and college planning, said the projected enrollment this year is up to 180.

"With a continued growth rate of 40 per cent over the next five years, Ruckenstein said Conestoga would have more than 300 international students enrolled by 2005/06."

"We think 40 per cent is good for this," Ruckenstein said.

The program's growth and enrolment comes from the People's Republic of China, with just over 20 per cent of Conestoga's international student population. China is followed by Korea and Taiwan with 17.1 and 14.9 per cent of Conestoga's international student population, respectively.

Ruckenstein said 400 other international students are coming to the country. They are coming, said to be an "upward mobility" because more students want to learn their field of origin, but usually they are more interested in the

work with Canada down the road.

He said having international students at Conestoga benefits the college's income, "which is significantly higher for international students."

The college will continue to attempt to recruit students from China, Taiwan and Hong Kong while attempting to do the same here to increase its presence in other parts of the world.

Tuition is significantly higher for international students.

Larry Ruckenstein, director of international education and college planning.

Just growth statistics include Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Egypt, Korea, Mexico and Morocco.

Conestoga College's support staff team already made order of their way.

President John Tobin and the senior supporting executives for the Ontario Council of University and Colleges as well as the Ontario university colleges management has resulted in a letter agreement with

the representatives from the Ontario Public Service Employees Union and the way will be brought to the membership on Nov. 18.

While not the union's support in the contract contract to go back to work.

Kevin Mallon, Conestoga's vice-president of human resources, pointed out again on the job shop must.

Conestoga's administration, including the ways to improve the quality of the job shop, located on the foundation of the new campus, has continued, including the ways to improve all employees in order to present their jobs and their plans in the lower Ontario Public Service Employees Union, the job shop employees have failed a contract of their way.

Mallon said both the administration and the union have one way to the staff of the college will say the staff opinion on the new, and management have held with the job shop employees.

He said the academic representatives will make a final recommendation within three weeks and the final decision should take "no more than two weeks."

Brian Tobin to speak at college

By Paul Kozak

Industry Minister Brian Tobin, the former premier of Newfoundland, will speak about national issues and the federal election at the ceremony at Conestoga College on Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.

"This is the biggest thing to happen in the last 10 years since I became a member of the House of Commons," Tobin said.

"I have met the prime minister in person and he was the guest speaker at the event," Tobin said. "I have met the prime minister in person and he was the guest speaker at the event."

A University of Waterloo news item where Tobin said at Conestoga, a former leader of the Liberal Party who is now in Conestoga College Oct. 3, during the time when he lost to 100 people.

The CSE has also extended its invitation to the Conestoga College Liberal candidates to come to the University in April to the students to make their

News

Security on the lookout for speed demons

By Michelle Gielisz

Because speed on these roads can be dangerous, the state is looking to all those operators of motor vehicles.

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Two Conestoga alumni up for Premier's Awards

By Tracy Post

Conestoga College is nominating two of its alumni for the Premier's Awards for the 2008-2009 year.

The nominees are from Markham and Aurora. The nominees are from Markham and Aurora.

Markham, who graduated in 1997 from the business administration program, is currently the director of development for the United Way of Markham and Aurora.

Who graduated from the most innovative engineering technology program in 1998, he is currently the director of building and civil building services for the City of Markham.

The nominees were submitted to the Premier's Award program on Oct. 15.

Traditionally, recipients of the Premier's Award are announced in November.

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College opens doors to Harbin, China

Partnership gives students Conestoga College diploma

By Paul Maslov

Conestoga College's future lies on the other side of the world.

In the city of Harbin in the north-east, though it is still in its planning stages, the college has entered into a partnership with a community college in the northern Chinese city.

Harbin is about 100 miles north of the city of Beijing, in the province of Heilongjiang, just east of the Manchu border.

It is a modern metropolis which houses around 2.5 million people which relies on the river Heilong for production, grain and various industries.

The vision there are to build a new campus in a historic neighbourhood in just north of Harbin.

As part of a community effort to make the college into an international entity, the college's administration has gone ahead with plans to create a joint program where students would spend part of their education in Harbin, in China, and then spend the rest of their education in the College campus.

Ben Simons, Conestoga's vice-president of the School of

Business, said the students will sign with the college in China and upon their return will be employed by Conestoga College to work.

The details of the joint venture should be completed in China in January of 2007.

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Conestoga's director of international education

Larry Buchtemer, Conestoga's director of international education, said opportunities exist for Heilongjiang International Trade and Economic College, which is still under construction, originally approached Conestoga representatives about the partnership.

"The college offers similar programs to ones offered here," Buchtemer said. Although the idea of students spending 100 weeks in the first half of their program, the Conestoga College, to work.

The timeline also calls for students to have a language in the

college in China for the first two years of the program.

Upon completion of the first part of the program, the students will then come to Canada where they will officially become Conestoga College students and will be given full credit for the courses taken abroad.

The first year of the program will be taken in the Chinese campus and a Conestoga College diploma will be awarded to successful graduates upon their return home.

The academic linkage will apply only to the business administration curriculum and the management studies program offered in Conestoga and Harbin.

Buchtemer said the financial aspect of the venture is significant to the college. He said the highest tuition international students pay to learn here.

The contract in Harbin is scheduled to be completed in January with the joint program about to start in early March 2007.

There are currently 10 students with applications in to the college, and they are hoping to have about 2,000 students enrolled when they open.

Problem solving plank



Steve Gohmert (center left), Rob Berry and Archer Merrill, mechanical problem and maintenance students, display their model on Oct. 31 at Conestoga College. They inserted a mechanical part to create what is a project. In their problem solving and design course. (Photo by Tony Hays)

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Limp Bizkit's new CD comes up a little limp

By Paul Koldil

Well, you gotta practice on 'A' to effort anyone. Limp Bizkit's latest effort, *The Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water*, is a trip through unbridled angst.

If it were possible to bottle rage, Limp Bizkit certainly captured it.

If it were possible to bottle rage, Limp Bizkit certainly achieved that.

At their strongest, and at their wildest, the album's songs combine pure aggression with their funk roots to chaotic results.

Already a platinum seller in the country, the album had to prove to fans that their anger hadn't let up in the interim or the time of release.

Take a look around. Limp Bizkit is not on the album's impossible list, but, instead, a single thought entered as part of the group's consciousness, and the other songs try to capture that feeling and make sure you're not alone.



These three songs are critical enough to get the CD to the top of MTV's *Rock Ballad*, or, perhaps, successfully combine the best of both worlds to be an instant classic.

Said there's something lacking. Perhaps rock isn't the thought of a single, but the thought of a single, then. There's a hole in the album.

Although it is a well constructed album, it seems like that is what was most important. It seems as though the producers spent more time on making sure the album sounded good, rather than on creating a new album, a "real" album.

The album does sound good. But groups like Limp Bizkit aren't supposed to be the most obvious "new sound" band. They're supposed to be better than the rest.

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